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1. [redacted] Discussed with Messrs. Saunders (Comptroller) and Yager (ORR) and [redacted], the State Department's request for CIA figures on amounts spent for external research on the Soviet and Chinese Communist systems. (See Journal of 21 November) [redacted] has asked Mr. Stigers (State Department) for a copy of Senator Fulbright's letter requesting this information. When the letter is received the Comptroller's office will see that the necessary figures are pulled together. A decision as to how these figures will be forwarded to Senator Fulbright will be made at that time.

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2. [redacted] A Mr. Salzmann, of the Research Institute of America, called and requested that the Institute be put on the mailing list to receive the FBIS Daily Reports. He is familiar with FBIS's policy in the distribution of the white book and added that the Institute served as a press facility for the business world. This will be taken up with Colonel Grogan for advice and possible handling by his office.

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3. [redacted] Jim Kendall, staff director of the Senate Preparedness Subcommittee, called and said he had received reports about "changes in our particular field" and, since the Subcommittee would be holding new weapons hearings after the first of the year, he would like to get together with some of our people to discuss the subject before that time. I indicated that we would be in touch with him on this sometime next week.

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4. [redacted] Advised Mr. Alpervitz, in the office of Representative Eastenmeier, that his letter to the AEC requesting unclassified information on the Soviet's present nuclear capability in terms of megatons had been referred to our Agency as well as the Department of Defense. I advised him that unfortunately this involved a field in which nothing of an unclassified nature could be provided and therefore, we could not be of assistance. He showed me a letter which he had received from the DOD offering little encouragement but indicating that DOD was attempting to pull together some general information on this subject which might be made available to the public. Although Alpervitz was anxious for information, he seemed to understand our problem. No written response is necessary.

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